



## REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS FOR HORSES

McLean County is offering four horses for sale to the highest responsible and qualified bidder. These horses were surrendered to McLean County following an animal cruelty investigation on June 25, 2016. They have been receiving veterinary care for malnourishment and neglect since that date and are now well enough to be transferred to a caring individual who will make them a part of his or her family.

The horses being offered are: 1 pony, 1 paint, 1 strawberry roan and 1 old bay. Bids may be submitted for one or all of the horses, but a separate bid must be made for each horse.

**The horses can be viewed at the McLean County Animal Control Center 9279 N. 1375 East Road, Bloomington, Illinois on August 20, 2016 from 9:00 o'clock am. Until 5:00 o'clock p.m.**

Bids must be submitted on the Bid Form provided by McLean County in a sealed envelope marked: BID: Horses. Bids may be mailed or delivered to the McLean County Animal Control Center C/O Marshall Thomson 9279 N. 1375 East Road, Bloomington, Illinois 61705.

**The deadline for receipt of bids is 12 o'clock noon August 22, 2016**

## Bidder Qualifications

Bidders must demonstrate experience in owning and properly caring for horses and provide proof of the ability to provide quality living conditions for the horse(s).

An acceptable facility that provides quality living conditions for the horse in question is one that:

1. Provides access to clean, fresh water and salt blocks at all times
2. Provides access to forage – grass or hay
3. Provides access to premium quality grains or pelleted foods to supplement forage
4. Provides access to a barn, stable, or shed, which shelters the animal from wind and precipitation
5. Provides access to box stalls of sturdy construction and daily cleaning
6. Provides access to some form of regular exercise, whether turnout in a confined pasture or field, or being ridden
7. Provides access to other animals – human, feline, canine, equine, or other – to satisfy herding instinct/need
8. Provides access to regular grooming weekly, at a minimum
9. Provides access to regular hoof care weekly, to include routine treatment from a professional farrier
10. Provides access to veterinary care as needed, to include an annual physical and dental checkup every spring

## BID FORM

Name:

Address:

Telephone Number: (     )

Bid Amount:

\_\_\_\_\_ Pony

\_\_\_\_\_ Paint

\_\_\_\_\_ Strawberry Roan

\_\_\_\_\_ Old Bay

Please answer the following questions:

1. Do you currently own horses?

What type and how many?

Where are they housed?

How long have you owned horses?

2. If you do not currently own horses, have you owned horses in the past?

List the date(s) you owned horses:

How many?

Where were they housed?

State the reason(s) why you stopped owning horses.

3. Provide the location and address of facilities where horses will be housed.

4. What veterinarian do you/did you use for your horses?

### Conditions for Successful Bidder

Should my bid be accepted I acknowledge and agree (by initialing) to the following:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Bidder agrees to assume all medical expenses, food, grooming, and any other costs associated with the horse should he or she be the successful bidder.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Bidder agrees that ownership of the horse is *not transferable* and further that if for any reason he or she is unable or unwilling to continue to care for the animal in the manner required by this bid, the bidder will immediately contact McLean County Animal Control to make

arrangements for the transfer of the horse back to McLean County. In that event Bidder will relinquish ownership of the animal back to the McLean County. Bidder shall have no right to a refund of the bid amount or reimbursement for any expenses incurred in the care of the horse from the time Bidder took possession until its return to the County. In the case of a long distance owner, it is the bidder's responsibility to transport the animal back to Animal Control in a safe manner.

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Bidder agrees to provide routine and emergency veterinary care for the horse and to provide documentation of the care provided upon request by the County
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Bidder agrees to license or register the animal according to any local ordinances where they reside.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Bidder understands and acknowledges that the equine animal in question was rescued from substandard living conditions and as a result, has suffered from malnutrition and various other maladies. Bidder further understands that the County does not warrant the health, temperament, or value of the animal at the time of transfer.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Bidder agrees that if s/he does not uphold the terms and conditions as provided on the McLean County Auction Bid Form, McLean County reserves the right to reclaim the horse that is the subject of this form. Bidder also agrees that if the County is required to seek legal action against Bidder in order to reclaim/protect the animal, Bidder will pay for any and all attorney's fees, court costs, and any other fees incurred in the process of enforcing this agreement.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Bidder understands and acknowledges that the County has the right to reject any bid, regardless of value, if the Auction Bid Form is incomplete, factually incorrect, or if acceptance of the bid would jeopardize the health, safety, or welfare of the equine animal in question.

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Signature

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Date

# **Daisy - Mare Pony**

**Is looking for a good home. . . For more information or a sealed bid form, go to [www.mcleancountyil.gov](http://www.mcleancountyil.gov). Daisy will be available to meet-n-greet potential bidders at the McLean County Animal Control on Saturday, August 20, 2016, between 9am-5pm! See Auction Bid Form for more details. Bid Closes 8/22/16 at 12:00 PM.**

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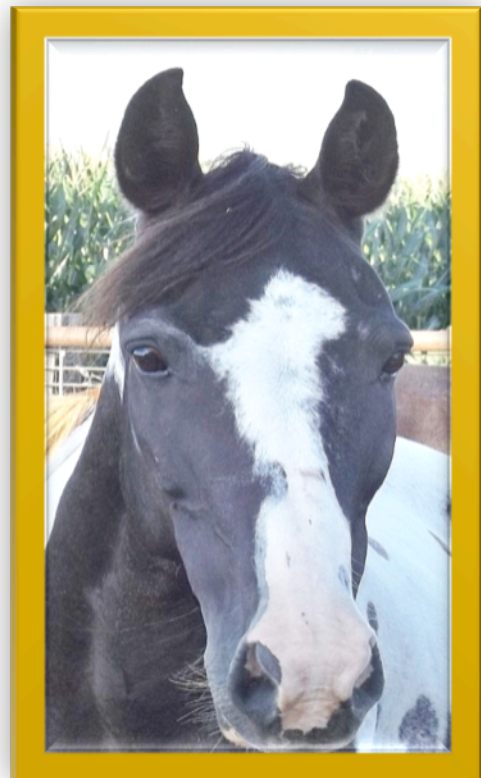


# **Elizabeth - Paint Mare**

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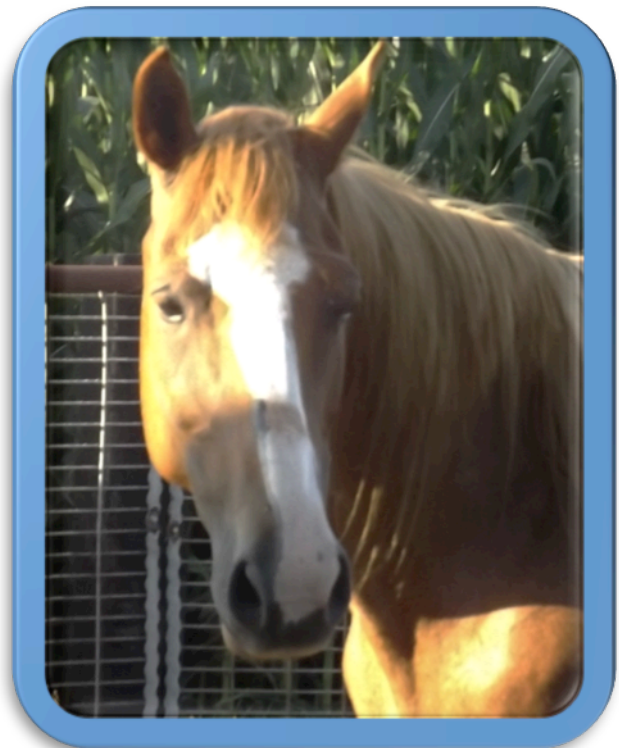
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# Roxy – Roan Mare

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## Gelding Named -Mustang



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